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Page 1 of 2 Pages [X] Original [] Substitute [] Supplemental Atty. Docket: Combined Declaration for Patent Application and Power of Attorney As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that: My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; and that I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled the specification of which (check one) is attached hereto; [] was filed in the United States under 35 U.S.C. §111 on U.S. Appln. No. *; or was/will be filed in the U.S. under 35 U.S.C. §371 by entry into the U.S. national stage of an international [X] (PCT) application, PCT/EP2003/008729; filed August 7, 2003, entry requested on ____ national stage application received U.S. Appln. No. _____*; §371/§102(e) date _ (* if known) and was amended on October 8, 2004 (if applicable). (include dates of amendments under PCT Art. 19 and 34 if PCT) I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above; and I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) all information known by me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 (a)-(d) and 365 (b) of any prior foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or under §365(a) of any PCT application which designated at least one country other than the U.S., listed below: Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY) Application No. Country 102 38 090.2 Germany August 21, 2002 If I claimed foreign priority above, I hereby identify below any foreign application for patent (including an international (PCT) application designating a country other than the United States) or for an inventor's or plant breeder's certificate, having a filing date before that of the earliest application from which foreign priority is claimed (if left blank, then there are none): Non-Priority Application No. Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY) Country I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of any United States provisional applications listed below: Application No. Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY) I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 of any prior U.S. non-provisional application(s) or under §365(c) of any prior PCT international application(s) designating the U.S., listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in such U.S. or PCT international application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the PTO all information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application: Application No. Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY) Status (patented, pending, abandoned) PCT/EP2003/008729 August 7, 2003 pending As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following registered practitioners to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: All of the practitioners associated with Customer Number 001444 Direct all correspondence to the address associated with Customer Number 001444, which is presently:

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